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- (2) The quantities of melons received by a handler;
- (3) Identification of the inspection certificates relating to the melons which were handled pursuant to § 979.52 or \$ 979.54 or both.
- (b) All such reports shall be held under appropriate protective classification and custody by the committee, or duly appointed employees thereof, so that the information contained therein which may adversely affect the competitive position of any handler in relation to other handlers will not be disclosed. Compilations of general reports from data submitted by handlers is authorized, subject to the prohibition of disclosure of individual handlers' identities or operations.
- (c) Each handler shall maintain for at least 2 succeeding years such records and documents on melons received by him as may be necessary to verify reports submitted to the committee pursuant to this section.
- (d) For the purpose of assuring compliance with recordkeeping requirements and certifying reports of handlers, the Secretary and the committee, through their duly authorized employees or agents, shall have access to any premises where applicable records are located, and where melons are handled, and at any time during reasonable business hours shall be permitted to inspect such handler's premises and examine any and all records of such persons with respect to matters within the purview of this part.
- (e) Any person filing a report, record, or application that is willfully misrepresented shall be subject to the legal penalties for such misrepresentation of Government reports.

COMPLIANCE

§ 979.81 Compliance.

Except as provided in this subpart, no handler shall handle melons, the handling of which has been prohibited by the Secretary in accordance with provisions of this subpart, or the rules and regulations thereunder, and no handler shall handle melons except in conformity with the provisions of this part.

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

§ 979.82 Right of the Secretary.

The members of the committee (including successors and alternates) and any agents or employees appointed or employed by the committee shall be subject to removal or suspension by the Secretary, at any time. Each and every order, regulation, decisions, determination, or other act of the committee shall be subject to the continuing right of the Secretary to disapprove of the same at any time. Upon such disapproval, the disapproved action of said committee shall be deemed null and void, except as to acts done in reliance thereon or in compliance therewith prior to such disapproval by the Secretary.

§ 979.83 Effective time.

The provisions of this subpart or any amendment thereto shall become effective at such time as the Secretary may declare and shall continue in force until terminated in one of the ways specified in this subpart.

§ 979.84 Termination.

- (a) The Secretary shall, whenever he finds that any or all provisions of this subpart obstruct or do not tend to effectuate the declared policy of this act, terminate or suspend the operation of this subpart or such provision thereof.
- (b) The Secretary shall terminate the provisions of this subpart at the end of the then current fiscal period whenever he finds that such termination is favored by a majority of the growers who, during a representative period determined by the Secretary, have been engaged in the production for market of melons within the production area: *Provided*, That such majority has during such representative period, produced for market more than 50 percent of the volume of such melons produced for market.
- (c) The provisions for this subpart shall, in any event, terminate whenever the provisions of the Act authorizing them cease to be in effect.

§ 979.85 Proceedings after termination.

(a) Upon the termination of the provisions of this subpart, the then functioning members of the committee